

**MINUTES
HARRISVILLE CITY COUNCIL
December 10, 2024
363 West Independence Blvd
Harrisville, UT 84404**

Minutes of a regular Harrisville City Council meeting held on December 10th, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. in the Harrisville City Council Chambers, 363 West Independence Blvd., Harrisville, UT.

Present: Mayor Michelle Tait, Council Member Karen Fawcett, Council Member Grover Wilhelmsen, Council Member Blair Christensen, Council Member Max Jackson
Council Member Steve Weiss.

Excused: Mark Wilson, Chief of Police,

Staff: Jennie Knight, City Administrator, Justin Shinsel, Public Works Director, Jack Fogal, City Recorder, Brody Flint, City Attorney, Bryan Fife, Parks and Recreation Director.

Visitors: Arnold Tait, Jason Hadley, Glade McCombs, Steve Hood, Kathleen Hahosh.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Tait called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

2. Opening Ceremony.

Council Member Weiss opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Consent Items

a. Approval of Meeting Minutes for November 12th, 2024 as presented.

Motion: Council Member Weiss made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for November 12th, 2024 as presented, second by Council Member Jackson.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Council Member Wilhelmsen, Yes
Council Member Weiss, Yes
Council Member Christensen, Yes
Council Member Jackson, Yes
Council Member Fawcett, Yes

The motion passed unanimously

4. Employee Recognition.

a. Mayor Tait recognized Jordan Read for his years of service on the Planning Commission.

5. Business Items.

a. 2025 Meeting Schedule

Jennie Knight explained the packet contains the 2025 proposed meeting schedule. The second Tuesday of the month would be Council Meetings and the second Wednesday will be Planning Commission. We would hold extra meetings as needed. Council Member Christensen inquired if it would be beneficial to have Council Meeting after Planning Commission. Jennie Knight explained historically Planning Commission was after Council due to waiting periods for subdivisions but her suggestion is having a second meeting during the month as needed. Council Member Fawcett inquired do we have to have a second meeting or just wait until the next Council Meeting. Jennie Knight explained we could do that. Council Member Fawcett inquired could we switch them. Jennie Knight stated yes, we can if Council wants.

Motion: Council Member Wilhelmsen made a motion to adopt the 2025 meeting schedule, second by Council Member Christensen.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Council Member Wilhelmsen, Yes
Council Member Weiss, Yes
Council Member Christensen, Yes
Council Member Jackson, Yes
Council Member Fawcett, Yes

The motion passed unanimously

b. Discussion/possible action to adopt Resolution 24-20; an information technology policy.

Jennie Knight explained staff has been working to identify any gaps in our policy. This policy is required for our audit. It governs the use of social media, email, and any IT accounts. Council Member Jackson inquired if legal council approved. Brody Flint stated he approved the policy.

Motion: Council Member Weiss made a motion to adopt Resolution 24-20; an information technology policy, second by Council Member Fawcett.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Council Member Wilhelmsen, Yes
Council Member Weiss, Yes
Council Member Christensen, Yes
Council Member Jackson, Yes
Council Member Fawcett, Yes

The motion passed unanimously

6. Closed Executive Session

- a. Closed Executive Session for the purpose described in Utah Code Annotated §52-4- 205(1)(d) strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, or to discuss a proposed development agreement, project proposal, or financing proposal related to the development of land owned by the state, if public discussion would: prevent the public body from completing the transaction the best possible terms.**

Motion: Council Member Wilhelmsen made a motion to enter a Closed Executive Session for the purpose described in Utah Code Annotated §52-4- 205(1)(d) strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, or to discuss a proposed development agreement, project proposal, or financing proposal related to the development of land owned by the state, if public discussion would: prevent the public body from completing the transaction the best possible terms, second by Council Member Jackson.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Council Member Wilhelmsen, Yes
Council Member Weiss, Yes
Council Member Christensen, Yes
Council Member Jackson, Yes
Council Member Fawcett, Yes

The motion passed unanimously

The Mayor and Council Convened into a Closed Executive Session

Motion: Council Member Weiss made a motion to adjourn a Closed Executive Session for the purpose described in Utah Code Annotated §52-4- 205(1)(d) strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares, or to discuss a proposed development agreement, project proposal, or financing proposal related to the development of land owned by the state, if public discussion would: prevent the public body from completing the transaction the best possible terms, second by Council Member Wilhelmsen.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Council Member Wilhelmsen, Yes
Council Member Weiss, Yes
Council Member Christensen, Yes
Council Member Jackson, Yes
Council Member Fawcett, Yes

The motion passed unanimously

7. Business Items Cont.

c. Discussion/possible action to approve the property acquisition to extend Wahlen Way.

Jennie Knight explained this property acquisition will extend Wahlen Way through Summit View Phases 1 and 2 and connect to 1100 N. The developer will construct the road through the phases. The right of way contract has been drawn up and sent to the property owner. The City is paying for the cost to cure and site improvements for the road. The cost for the land is \$58,500 and staff is asking for an additional \$3,000 for engineering fees and third-party assessment. Council Member Wilhelmsen inquired if this would be paid with transportation

impact fees and how they worked. Jennie Knight explained yes it will. Impact fees are collected at the time of building permit. The fees can only be expended on items in our Transportation Master Plan.

Motion: Council Member Weiss made a motion to approve the property acquisition to extend Wahlen Way, second by Council Member Wilhelmsen.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Council Member Wilhelmsen, Yes
Council Member Weiss, Yes
Council Member Christensen, Yes
Council Member Jackson, Yes
Council Member Fawcett, Yes

The motion passed unanimously

8. Public Comment

Mayor Tait opened the public comment period.

Jason Hadley wanted to share some concerns about the Ben Lomond PID. He stated government exists by the consent of the governed. The governments function is not to grant rights but to protect rights. Part of protecting rights is how taxation is enacted. We accept the necessity of a limited taxation. The power to tax is the power to control. Government should strictly control the amount of tax. The PID has a bright upside for a developer. The developer now has zero risk and all the reward. The people who carry the burden will be the tax payers.

Mayor Tait closed the public comment period.

9. Mayor/Council Follow-up

Justin Shinsel thanked Council and Mayor for the Christmas party. He thanked them for all they do for staff. We are in a hold pattern waiting for the snow to fall. We are ready and will be plowing when it comes. They are checking the City for potholes that need to be filled and trying to identify street lights that are out. They are keeping up on development in the City. Council Member Wilhelmsen inquired about the access from Washington on 1300 N and when a stop sign will be in. Justin Shinsel stated he spoke to the developer and explained they needed to have a stop sign up immediately. He will follow up to make sure they put up a sign as soon as possible.

Bryan Fife thanked Council for their support. We have Santa At The Cabin on Friday from 6PM-8PM and the parade from 4PM-6PM. Mayor Tait inquired where the route is posted for the parade. Bryan Fife stated it should be on the City website.

Jennie Knight explained the Shop With A Hero event will be Saturday at the cabin. The county has asked each city to have a visual display of the impact of housing on cities. Jones and Associates put a board together of approved developments. They have taken our facilities plan and mapped the impact to our utilities. This board will be used by the League of Cities and Towns to show the legislature cities are willing to allow development but the impact to our utilities can affect development in the City. With the current approvals we have approximately

1200 homes that will be built in Harrisville. Mayor Tait stated the League was so impressed with our board they wanted to use as an example to the Legislature.

Council Member Wilhelmsen reported on the Senior Luncheon. The United First Methodist Church provided a choir to sing during lunch. It was a very good experience. There was great interaction between the choir and the participants of the luncheon.

Mayor Tait thanked staff for their effort all year long. She thanked Council for their service this year.

10. Adjournment

Council Member Fawcett motioned to adjourn the meeting, second by Council Member Weiss.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Council Member Wilhelmsen, Yes
Council Member Weiss, Yes
Council Member Christensen, Yes
Council Member Jackson, Yes
Council Member Fawcett, Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

MICHELLE TAIT
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jack Fogal
City Recorder
Approved this 14th day of January, 2025